2. (a) No. The last general meeting was held on 12th Edavam 1104.

(b) Failure to file the returns in time was taken to the notice of the District Magistrate, and the matter is under correspondence.

Tenders for the collection of timber in the Tramway area.

24. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the names of tenderers who submitted tenders in 1104 for the collection of timber in the Tramway area with their rates;

(2) names of those whose tenders were accepted;

(3) were there conditional offers in any of these tenders;

(4) if so, what were the conditions?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.— (1) A statement giving the information required is placed on the Table. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

(2) Mr. C. P. Luiz' tender was accepted.

(3) No.

(4) No reply is necessary in view of the answer to (3) above.

Maintenance of the Villichira.

25. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) when was the construction of the Villichira in the Parappukara village auctioned in 1104; who was the bidder and what was the amount;

(2) (a) when was the chira auctioned in 1105; who is the contractor and what is the amount;

(b) whether the Government received any petition reducing the amount auctioned; if so, who were the petitioners and what action was taken, the name of the officer who conducted the auction on both the occasions?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.— (1) On Karkadagam 10, 1103. It is presumed that 'maintenance' is meant. K. Sankaran Nayar. Rs. 67.

(2) (a) On July 29, 1929. K. Sankaran Nayar, Rs. 175.

(b) The Chief Engineer received a petition from one Krishnan Kartha. The petition was enquired into. It was then found that the petitioner's *Anantharavan* was present at the original auction and that he did not care to bid though he was requested to do so.

Mr. N. Rajagopalachari, Assistant Engineer, conducted the auction in 1104 and Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar, Assistant Engineer, in 1105.

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